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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION: PUERTO RICO

1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. GOVERNMENT-OWNED ALGIERS DAILY "ASH-SHA'B" CONTINUED ALGERIA'S DEFENSE OF "PUERTO RICAN LIBERATION STRUGGLE" IN FRONT-PAGE EDITORIAL JANUARY 10. UNDER HEADLINE "PUERTO RICAN PEOPLE'S STRUGGLE AGAINST AMERICAN COLONIALISM", PAPER WROTE: "U.S. TOOK PUERTO RICO OVER IN 1898 FOLLOWING ISLAND'S VICTORY OVER SPANIARDS.... SINCE THAT TIME, THERE HAS BEEN CONTINUING STRUGGLE BETWEEN PEOPLE OF ISLAND ... AND WASHINGTON ADMINISTRATION, WHICH IS TRYING TO ANNEX IT AS FIFTY-FIRST STATE."

2. IN RELATED QUARTER-PAGE FEATURE EXPANDING ON ABOVE THEME, PAPER WROTE: "PUERTO RICO AND OTHER ISLANDS ... FORM TRIANGLE MEANT AS FORWARD BASTION AND OFFENSIVE-DEFENSIVE BASE TO PROTECT U.S. INTERESTS IN CARIBBEAN REGION AND SERVE AS LAUNCHING-PAD FOR U.S. FORECES IN FACE OF PEOPLES' LIBERATION STRUGGLES."

3. AFTER PRESENTING HIGHLY BIASED SUMMARY OF PUERTO RICAN HISTORY SINCE 1898, PAPER THEN ADDED: "AMERICAN IMPERIALIST HAVE TRANSFORMED ISLAND INTO TERRIFYING NUCLEAR BASE, USED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ITS TERRITORY TO TRAIN MERCENARIES, AND SET UP CIA FACILITIES FOR TRAINING SPIES, AGENTS, AND SABOTEURS, TRAINING CAMPS FOR MEMBERS OF NOTORIOUS 'PEACE CORPS', SPECIAL BROADCASTING EQUIPMENT, AND ELECTRONIC SPY EQUIPMENT ENGLISH LANGUAGE HAS BEEN IMPOSED IN SCHOOLS AND STUDENTS HAVE BEEN FORCED TO PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO US FLAG.... MONOPOLY COMPANIES THAT CONTROL PUERTO RICO ARE PLUNDERING COUNTRY'S WEALTH AND AMASSING

PROFITS WHILE PUERTO RICAN PEOPLE IS ENDURING LIFE OF
HARDSHIPS...."

4. AFTER OUTLINING "PEOPLE'S LIBERATION STRUGGLE" AGAINST
US, PAPER CLOSED WITH FURTHER CONDEMNATION OF US POLICY ON
ISLAND, "WHICH HAS TURNED ITS PEOPLE INTO SLAVES FOR ITS
MONOPOLIES, FODDER FOR ITS CANNONS, AND FUEL FOR OVENS OF
ITS WARS OF OPPRESSION AND AGGRESSION." END UNCLASSIFIED.

5. GEGIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE COMMENT: THIS AND PREVIOUSLY
REPORTED ARTICLES ON PUERTO RICO ARE PART OF CONTINUING SERIES
OF GOA CHEAP SHOTS ON US-LINKED ISSUES. WHILE WE SOMEWHAT
INURED TO SUCH ATTACKS, CONTINUING FOCUS ON PUERTO RICO
DISCOURAGING, AS GOA HAS RESPONDED TO OUR REPEATED DEMARCHES
ON PUERTO RICO WITH ASSURANCES IT WOULD NOT AGITATE ISSUE.
NEED TO PRESERVE RADICATL CREDENTIALS IN THIRD WORLD COUNCILS
APPARENTLY OUTWEIGHTING OUR REPRESENTATIONS, AND FACADE OF
EDITORIAL AUTONOMY,WHOSE MODALITIES GOA IS CAREFUL NOT
TO SPELL OUT, PERMITS IT TO DENY THAT SUCH ARTICLES
REPRESENT OFFICIAL POLICY. END COMMENT. END LIMITED
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